

Discussion of Franklin Park Closure

Co-Hosted by
DC Department of Human Services &
DC Interagency Council on Homelessness

March 11, 2020



Agenda

- I. Welcome and Goals of the Meeting
- II. Vision for the Park and Construction Timeline
- III. Services for residents experiencing housing instability
- IV. Ongoing Feedback and Communications

FRANKLIN PARK

STUDIOS
architecture

Land

DAVID BURIN

Collective



FRANKLIN PARK

2019 CONDITION



FRANKLIN PARK 2020 DESIGN

- > TREE CANOPY RESTORED FOR SUSTAINABLE SUCCESSION
 - > PATH NETWORK RESTORED FOR INCLUSION
- > FOUNTAIN AND PLAZA RESTORED TO SERVE COMMUNITY
 - > NEW CHILDREN'S GARDEN TO FOSTER ALL-AGE PLAY
- > NEW PAVILION AND PROGRAMMABLE PARK TO SUSTAIN OPERATION

FRANKLIN PARK 2020 FOR THE NEXT 100 YEARS



FOUNTAIN AND PLAZA RESTORED TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY



FOUNTAIN AND PLAZA



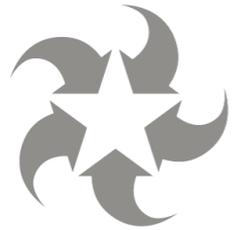
SEATING AND SHADE



FOUNTAIN PLAZA BENCH



OVERLOOK BENCH



DOWNTOWNDC



Franklin Park



Present Day



Post-Construction Rendering

Downtown Day Services Center

Open M-F from 9:00am-5:00pm



New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1313 New York Avenue NW



Front Reception Desk

More than 18,000 visits since opening day!



18,126 visits
Avg. 138 per day



3,983 showers
Avg. 30 per day



1,676 loads of laundry
Avg. 13 per day



16,936 lunches served
Avg. 129 per day



11,760 items distributed
Avg. 90 per day



3,480 computer sessions
Avg. 26 per day

6 DowntownDC BID employees staff the DDSC



Darlyene "Tokyo" Direkston, Program Manager



Michael Bunn, Facility Assistant



Jeremiah DeSousa, Facility Assistant



Lorenzo Sanders, Facility Assistant



Montee "Angel" Saunders, Facility Assistant



Sandra Tapscott, Facility Assistant

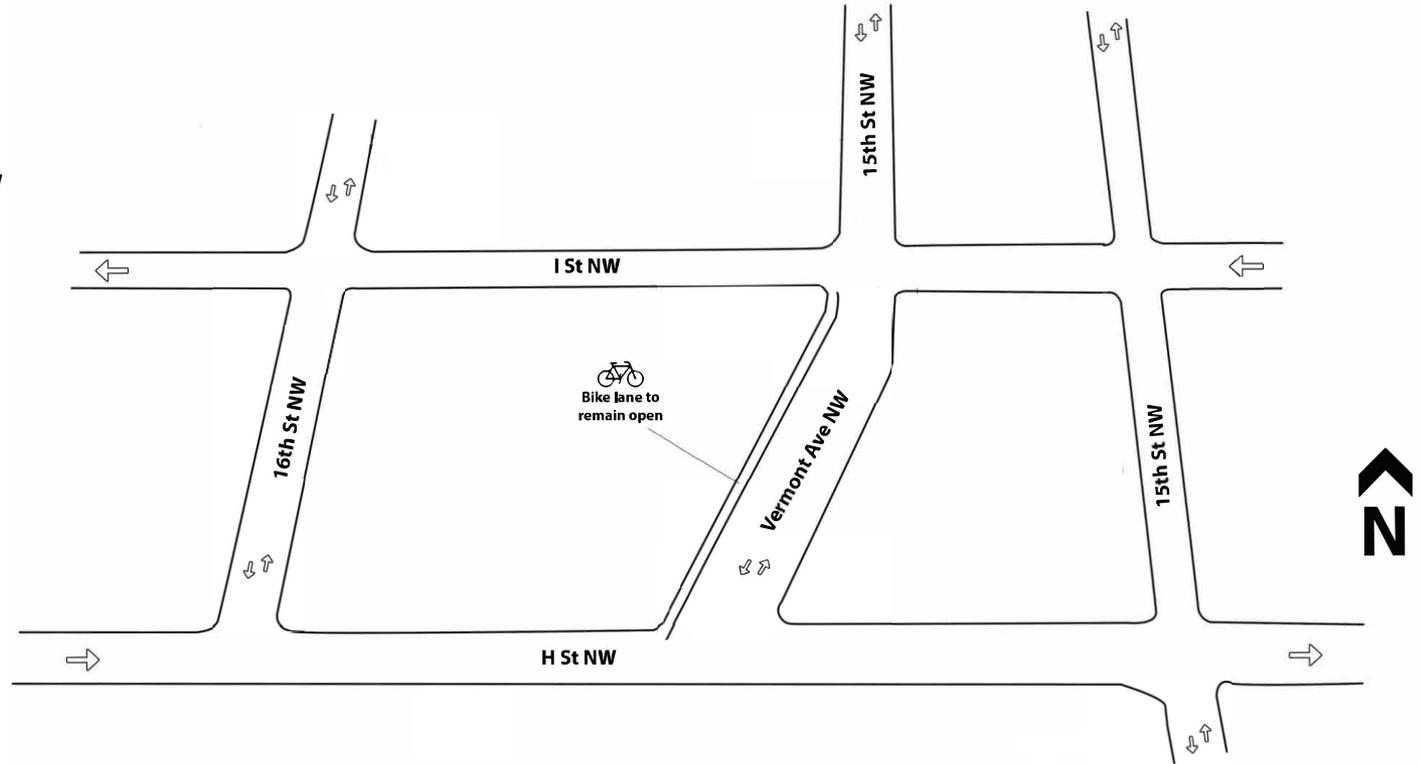
We strive to create a safe and inclusive environment



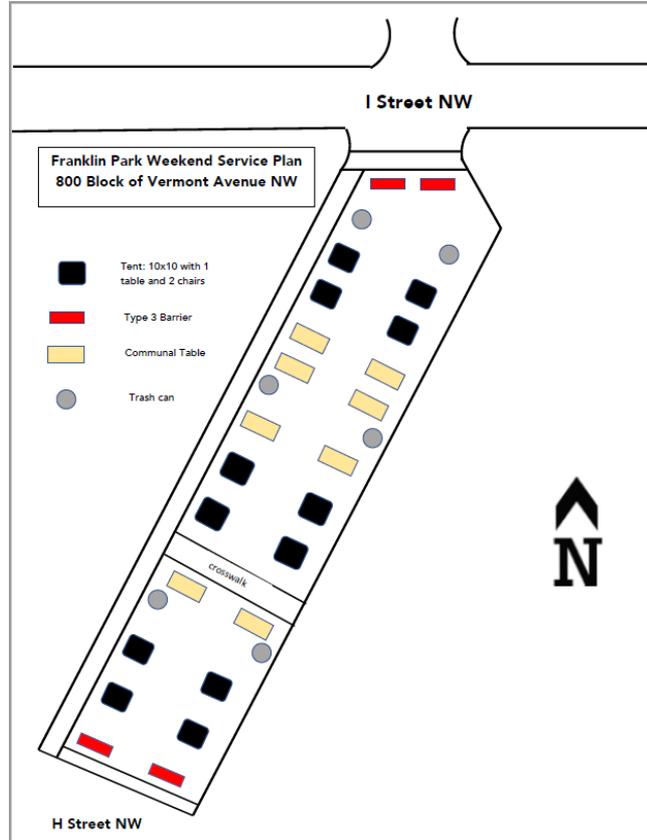
Franklin Park Weekend Service Plan

**800-899 Block of
Vermont Avenue NW**

**HOURS OF
OPERATION:**
Saturdays and
Sundays
10:00am-4:00pm



Franklin Park Weekend Service Plan (cont.)



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Feedback and Communications

- The ICH will share ongoing renovation and closure updates and seek feedback through the ICH Emergency Response and Shelter Operations Committee (ERSO), ICH Outreach WG, and ICH Consumer Engagement WG.
- Pathways to Housing's outreach workers have done outreach to individuals staying in the park regarding the closure, and will be:
 - Informing individuals in the park of all updated closure information
 - Sharing information on additional service locations, and
 - Helping individuals come up with alternate plans during the closure.
- Flyers will be handed out to the individuals who spend time in the park and shared at the Downtown Day Service Center.
- Signage will be posted sharing information about the closure and explaining locations where individuals can receive services during the construction.

Question & Answer